

STATE OF VERMONT  
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7558

Petition of Green Mountain Power Corporation for )  
a Certificate of Public Good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. )  
Section 248, authorizing the installation and )  
operation of three temporary wind meteorological )  
towers on Lowell Mountain in Lowell, Vermont )  
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Order entered: 10/15/2009

**PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM**  
**AND SCHEDULING ORDER**

On August 7, 2009, Green Mountain Power Corporation ("GMP"), filed a petition, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248, requesting Vermont Public Service Board ("Board") authorization for the installation and operation of three temporary wind meteorological towers on Lowell Mountain in Lowell, Vermont.

On October 13, 2009, I held a prehearing conference in this Docket. Appearances were entered by: Peter Zamore, Esq., Sheehey Furlong & Behm, on behalf of GMP; Judith Dillon, Esq., on behalf of the Agency of Natural Resources; and Geoffery Commons, Esq., on behalf of the Vermont Department of Public Service. In addition, four interested landowners attended the prehearing conference.

At the prehearing conference, the parties developed the following schedule. Pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 246(d) a "proposal for decision shall be issued within five months of when the board receives a completed application for a certificate of public good for the temporary installation of one or more meteorological stations under the provisions of section 248 of this title." The

schedule has been established to meet this statutory requirement.<sup>1</sup> I adopt the schedule, as set forth below.

October 26, 2009	Parties file proposals for locations to view during the site visit
November 9, 2009	Site visit and public hearing
November 13, 2009	Motions for intervention due
November 16, 2009	Responses to motions for intervention
November 25, 2009	Information requests on Petitioner
December 8, 2009	Responses to information requests
December 15, 2009	Non-petitioner parties prefile testimony
December 18, 2009	Technical Hearing
December 23, 2009	Briefs
January 7, 2010	Target Date for Proposal for Decision

Given the timeframe between the deadlines for filing intervention requests and filing information requests on the petitioner, the petitioner agreed to respond to information requests from persons with pending motions for intervention. Interested persons who wish to intervene are encouraged to do so before the November 13 deadline.

Because the case is being heard by a Hearing Officer, parties need file only an original and three copies of all filings and one copy of discovery requests and responses. In addition, parties are requested to provide an electronic copy of their filings in this docket (e-mail submission to [psb.clerk@state.vt.us](mailto:psb.clerk@state.vt.us) is acceptable).

**SO ORDERED.**

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1. There was some discussion at the prehearing conference regarding whether the application was complete on August 7, 2009, or on September 9, 2009, when GMP filed waivers of the 45-day advance notice requirement of Section(f). There is no need to resolve this issue.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2009.

s/Mary Jo Krolewski  
Mary Jo Krolewski  
Hearing Officer

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FILED: October 15, 2009

ATTEST: s/Susan M. Hudson  
Clerk of the Board

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